

F. R. Willet Basket Grocery

205 W. Superior
624 River Ave

Shredded Wheat 15c
Soda 5c
Yeast Foam 3c
Oat Flour, per lb. 8c
P. G. Soap, per bar 7c
Swift White Soap, a bar 6c
New Potatoes, per pk. 80c

Saturday and Monday Specials

10lbs. Rolled Oats 68c
Large Pet Milk, per can 11c

Cash and Carry

No Delivery

Willet's Basket Grocery

County Correspondence

News of our neighboring villages as gleaned each
week by our special staff of correspondents

VESTABURG ITEMS

By Our Own Correspondent

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Murphy were Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Manley of Riverdale.

Dr. Hubbard and family, Mesdames L. Mack, E. Reader and L. Briggs, Mr. George Peasley and family, John Horton and family, Ben Borden and wife autoed to Alma Sunday and attended the Sunday School rally of the Churches of Christ in this district, which was held in the city park at Alma.

Mrs. Alice Caris who came to attend the funeral of her daughter, Mrs. Jessie Gorsuch, left for Detroit Tuesday.

Mrs. Rose Van Horn and daughters of Detroit are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Piffer.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Briggs entertained relatives from Edmore Thursday.

Fred Cornell and family were in Edmore Tuesday.

Charles Marlin, wife and daughter, Neema, spent the 4th in Ithaca and the latter remained to visit her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Vance.

Melvin Sprague, who has been

home for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Sprague, left here Monday morning to return to the service and expects to leave for France in the near future.

Clarence Caris accompanied by his cousin, Audley Caris, autoed to Summer Tuesday with the latter's grandmother and other relatives who had been visiting at the home of the latter.

Claud Manley and daughter, Miss Claudian, of Riverdale were Monday visitors of his brother, David, and other relatives.

Mrs. Wm. Caris and son visited relatives at Summer Saturday.

Mrs. Edna Hubbard and son, Leonard, autoed to Alma Monday and were accompanied by Mrs. Minnie Otterbrien and Mrs. Babcock and children.

Emory Howard autoed to Alma Monday. He was accompanied by Edwin McDoyle.

Mrs. Thomas Meddick of St. Louis called on Mrs. Hubbard Tuesday.

Ray Caris and Wm. Van Horn have been issued their uniforms and are drilling each day. Their address is Co. L, 339 Infantry, Barracks 487, Camp Custer, Battle Creek.

The Landshaw Players, which is a show that always pleases the people, is here at Vestaburg for this week beginning July 8th.

Mrs. Wm. Caris has received a letter from her nephew, Roy Caris, stating he arrived at Camp Custer on time, Monday, July 1st. He had been on the sick list a few days owing to his having received his second shot in the arm, but is able to be on duty and states he has received his rifle and uniform. His address is James LeRoy Caris, 10th Co. 10th Batt., 160 Depot Brigade, Building 28, Camp Custer, Battle Creek, Mich.

Mrs. Grant Beach, who underwent an operation at Ann Arbor, passed away at that place Sunday, July 8th, the remains were brought to her home Monday. Particulars next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Hardy of Saginaw are here visiting the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Sites.

Mr. and Mrs. Willard Mallory entertained relatives from Summer Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross of Detroit are here visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Paige Throop and other relatives.

Mrs. Charles Pangburn is entertaining her brother from Gaylord, who has not been in Vestaburg in a great many years.

Harold Farmer has recovered from the mumps.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wood of Alma have been at the home of their son, Myron, the past week.

Mrs. George Cox of Carp Lake spent from Monday until Wednesday in Vestaburg visiting Mrs. Mary Cummings, Mrs. Ben Borden and other friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rhoades and family who autoed here from Sheridan to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jessie Gorsuch and were visitors of their daughter, Mrs. Beatrice Throop, have returned to their home.

The Misses Theresa and Mary Cox of Saginaw, who came to attend the funeral of Mrs. Jessie Gorsuch and returned home that evening were guests of Mrs. Mary Cummings.

Gratton Malloy and family of McBride accompanied by his mother, Mrs. N. Malloy, of Carp Lake, autoed here Sunday and were visitors of John Brown and family and other friends.

Thomas Meddick and wife were in town Saturday.

Clarence Gregory and family were not severely injured when their auto turned turtle the Fourth. As it was they escaped with but slight bruises as did Glenn Wisley when he was hit by an auto and thrown from his wheel on the evening of the same day.

Mr. Howard and family of Gobleville, who have been visiting at the home of his brother, Emory Howard, left for their home Monday.

James Brown, who has been visiting his brother, John Brown, and sister, Mrs. Ellen McGahan, returned to Lansing Monday.

Daniel Caris was home for a few days' visit with relatives and returned to his work Monday.

Mrs. Casatt and grandson have returned from their extended visit with relatives.

Ben Elliott and family were home from Ionia over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Otto Marvin have moved here from St. Louis.

John Wartz of Niagara Falls is here visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Wartz.

Dr. Hubbard was in Edmore Monday.

Robert Smith was home from Alma the past week.

Card of Thanks

We extend our heartfelt thanks to the friends and neighbors for their many acts of kindness during our last bereavement, also for the many beautiful floral offerings, the choir for their singing and Rev. Tanner and Rev. Kimberling for their words of comfort.

Charles Gorsuch and son, Mr. and Mrs. M. Caris, Mr. and Mrs. C. Caris, James LeRoy Caris, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gorsuch.

BUY W.S.S.

WRIGHT SCHOOL

Mrs. Geo. Isham went to Midland Sunday to see her sister who is very ill at that place.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat Whitcraft spent Sunday in Summerton.

Chris Knight of Alma spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Gles Isham.

Mrs. B. McKinney spent the week end with Mrs. Matt Johnston.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Fernberg and Mr. and Mrs. Frank Whitcraft spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Shong near Vestaburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ellis spent Sunday with Mrs. Mose Newcomb of Forest Hill.

BUY W.S.S.

Record Want Ads for Results

COMFORTS PROVIDED DURING STATE FAIR

Thousands of Dollars Spent for Convenience of Patrons.

Physical comfort and personal convenience of the visitors at the Michigan State Fair for 1918, are receiving more attention by the fair association than ever before during any single year in the history of the organization. Thousands of dollars are being expended at the grounds on improvements, which, while having no direct bearing on the exhibits or the fair itself, will add materially to the pleasure derived by the patrons.

Over 40,000 square feet of pavement is under construction; 80,000 square feet of new sidewalk will be in readiness when the exhibition opens on August 30 in Detroit; additional comfort stations and retiring cloisters are being provided in every section of the grounds and hundreds of seats and benches are being placed in the shady nooks.

A 32-foot pavement, adjoining to a 12-foot sidewalk, is being constructed from the administration building to the grand stand. Patrons of the coming fair will have a solid sidewalk and pavement to travel from the time of leaving the car until seated in the grand stand.

A complete remodeling of the entire lighting system throughout the ground has recently been inaugurated and will become effective before the fair opens.

The old, obsolete platinum lamps have been discarded and the more modern nitrogen globes have been installed in all the old fixtures, as well as many additional clusters which have been placed on the grounds. This new lighting equipment will not only increase the light during the exhibition, but will be a large financial saving to the management.

Through salvaging the platinum in the old lamps and with the current which will be saved by the modern bulbs, G. W. Dickinson, Secretary-Manager of the fair, declares the reorganization will pay for itself within two years. Comfort and convenience of the visitors, Mr. Dickinson announces, is one of the primary motives of the fair management and during the ten days of the 1918 State Fair the equipment for this purpose will be greater than ever before.

BUY W.S.S.

Where Skill Counts

The theory and practice of agriculture largely rests on the fact that plants can be greatly modified by the conditions under which they grow; after being established in the soil, there is shown the skill of the cultivator.

BUY W.S.S.

THE SAME IN ST. LOUIS

St. Louis Residents Speak Out for the Welfare of the Public.

It is just the same in St. Louis as here in Alma; our friends there speak out in the same glad, earnest way as so many grateful Alma men and women have spoken in these columns for years past.

Mrs. E. H. Lower, 414 W. Center St., St. Louis, Mich., says: "I suffered from a constant headache and had pains across my loins and through my sides. I had dizzy spells and often felt as if I would fall in a faint. There were puffy sacs under my eyes and I felt depressed and weak, too. I got Doan's Kidney Pills and they removed the trouble."

MORE THAN SIX YEARS LATER

Mrs. Lower said: "Since last recommending Doan's Kidney Pills, I have used them for kidney trouble and they have always relieved me."

Price 60c, at all dealers. Don't simply ask for a kidney remedy—get Doan's Kidney Pills—the same that Mrs. Lower had. Foster-Milburn Co., Mfrs., Buffalo, N. Y.—adv.

BUY W.S.S.

LEGAL NOTICES

Estate of Margaret McNamara, deceased.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1918.

Present: Hon. J. Lee Potts, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Margaret McNamara, deceased.

Madame E. Barnes, having filed in said court her petition praying that a certain instrument in writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased, now on file in said court be admitted to probate, and that the administration of said estate be granted to herself or to some other suitable person.

It is ordered, that the 27th day of July, A. D. 1918, be and is hereby appointed for hearing said petition.

It is further ordered, that public notice thereof be given by publication of a copy of this order for three consecutive weeks previous to the day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

A true copy, Attest Judge of Probate.

MADGE E. BARNES, (54-4) Register of Probate.

Estate of Elias H. Ravecraft, deceased.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1918.

Present: Hon. J. Lee Potts, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Elias H. Ravecraft, deceased.

The above estate having been admitted to probate and Lillian Ravecraft and John W. Ravecraft appointed executors thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Tuesday, the 27th day of October, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of this order for three consecutive weeks previous to the day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

A true copy, Attest Judge of Probate.

MADGE E. BARNES, (49-4) Clerk of Probate.

Estate of R. J. and Olive L. Lathrop.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1918.

Present: Hon. J. Lee Potts, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of R. J. and Olive L. Lathrop, deceased.

The above estate having been admitted to probate and Lillian Ravecraft and John W. Ravecraft appointed executors thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Tuesday, the 27th day of October, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of this order for three consecutive weeks previous to the day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

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General Building: Sites and Repair Fund

Credit balance.....\$1,500.00

Received from voted taxes.....1,500.00

Received from.....\$1,500.00

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Received from.....\$1,500.00

Received from.....\$1,500.00

Received from.....\$1,500.00

paper printed and circulated in said county. A true copy, Attest J. LEE POTTS, MADGE E. BARNES, Judge of Probate, Clerk of Probate.

STATE OF MICHIGAN—The Probate Court for the County of Gratiot.

At session of said court, held at the Probate Office in the village of Ithaca in said county, on the 27th day of June, A. D. 1918.

Present: Hon. J. Lee Potts, Judge of Probate.

In the matter of the estate of Margaret A. Hall, deceased.

The above estate having been admitted to probate and John B. Hall, of the village of Elm Hill, Michigan, appointed Administrator thereof.

It is ordered that four months from this date be allowed for creditors to present their claims against said estate and that such claims will be heard by said court on Wednesday, the 4th day of November, next, at ten o'clock in the forenoon.

It is further ordered that public notice thereof be given by publication of this order for three consecutive weeks previous to the day of hearing, in the Alma Record, a newspaper printed and circulated in said county.

A true copy, Attest J. LEE POTTS, MADGE E. BARNES, Judge of Probate, Clerk of Probate.

MINUTE OF SCHOOL MEETING

Alma, Michigan, July 8th, 1918

The regular annual meeting of the School District No. 1, Fractional Arcadia and Pine River Townships, was held in the high school auditorium in the City of Alma on the above date.

Meeting was called to order by President Otto Sanderhoff at 8:30 o'clock and the call of the roll.

The next order of business was the reading of the minutes of the last regular annual school district meeting which was held in the high school auditorium July 9th, 1917. Moved by Prof. A. P. Cook, supported by Dr. Jay Clarke, that the minutes be adopted as read. (Carried.)

The Secretary read the minutes of the special school district meeting held on August 21st, 1917.

Moved by J. M. Montiel, supported by Rev. J. W. Priest, that the minutes of the special meeting be adopted as read. (Carried.)

The Financial Statement of Receipts and Disbursements was read by the secretary, this statement showing the receipts and disbursements of the various school funds for the school year 1917-18.

Moved by Dr. Jay Clarke, supported by R. H. Wilcox, that the report be adopted as read. (Carried.)

First Order of Business: The Treasurer's Financial Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the past school year, 1917-18, the same being duly adopted as read.

The Secretary read the minutes of the last regular meeting of the Board of Education, the same being duly adopted as read.

Recommendations of the Board of Education were read and the following amounts were recommended for the school year 1918-19:

Teachers' Wages, fund.....\$12,000.00

General fund.....\$10,000.00

For the Building Fund.....\$5,000.00

The Secretary read the law as to qualifications of voters.

Moved by J. M. Montiel, supported by Dr. V. K. Heston, that the meeting be adjourned for 10 weeks. (Carried.)

The next order of business was the election of two trustees for the year 1918-19 to succeed Otto Sanderhoff and A. J. Archer, whose terms of office expire at this date.

Moved by P. M. Smith that the chair appoint a teller, the same being duly adopted as read. W. H. Rogers, (Carried.)

The chair appointed P. M. Smith and Charles O. Taylor as tellers.

Notary Public J. D. Spinnery swore in Otto Sanderhoff, A. J. Archer, P. M. Smith and Charles O. Taylor as chairman, secretary and tellers, respectively, as the board of election.

The ballot was spread for the election of a trustee to succeed Mr. Otto Sanderhoff with the following result: Total number of ballots cast, of which Otto Sanderhoff received 58; of which A. J. Archer received 74; James E. Mitchell 12 and 3 scattered.

A. J. Archer was declared elected trustee for a term of three years.

Moved by Dr. V. K. Heston, supported by Wm. H. Rogers, that this meeting adjourn. (Carried.)

Meeting declared adjourned at 10:15 o'clock, P. M.

Signed, A. J. Archer, Secretary.

Sanderhoff, Otto Sanderhoff, President.

School District No. 1, Fractional Arcadia and Pine River Townships, for the school year 1918-19.

Teachers' Fund (Wages)

Credit balance.....\$ 801.00

Received from Voted Taxes.....29,000.00

Received from.....4,381.18

Received from.....\$2,805.18

For Teachers' Wages.....\$30,516.18

Credit balance.....\$2,805.18

Library Fund

Credit balance.....\$ 19.91

Received from Fines.....2.35

Received from Voted Taxes.....200.00

Deficit.....\$292.86

Disbursements

For Care of Library.....\$ 28.00

For Books.....26.50

Credit balance.....238.36

Incidental

Received from Voted Taxes.....\$10,500.00

Deficit.....1,069.51

Disbursements

Deficit balance.....\$ 274.04

Janitors' salaries.....3,610.00

Coal and Fueling.....4,780.00

Freight and Drayage.....115.62

Tuning Pianos.....7.50

Domestic Science Supplies.....221.50

Electric Lights.....74.00

Electric Fixtures.....200.13

Motor Service.....160.32

Water Tax.....136.25

Printing and Stationery.....182.81

Paper Towels and Supplies.....119.62

Janitor, Manual Training Dept.,.....45.23

Employee's Liability Insurance.....3.50

Christmas Trees.....18.45

Laundry.....118.23

Commencement Speaker.....244.56

Laboratory Supplies.....42.63

Drawing Paper.....47.50

Gas.....63.00

Expense Securing Teachers.....50.00

Office Help.....6.00

Treasury Service.....437.65

Repairs on Clocks.....47.72

Books.....22.84

Telephone Rental and Toll.....5.41

Letter Heads and Stated Envelopes.....